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Class Thoughts

PEACE . . . In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a speedy victory in this world conflict, to be followed by a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.

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ILLUMINATION (11 a. m.): "Lo, I am with you always." The radiance of Jesus Christ inspires, guides, and illumines me.

PROSPERITY (12 noon): Jesus Christ blesses and multiplies my substance, and there is abundance for every need.

HEALING (9 p. m.): The healing power of Jesus Christ is now poured out upon me and I am healed.

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PROSPERITY (12 noon): The Spirit that multiplied the loaves and fishes for Jesus is here increasing my substance, and my prosperity appears.

HEALING (9 p. m.): The same Spirit that raised up Jesus is here raising me, and I am restored to harmony and health.

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Stately and tall, the Unity Campanile or Prayer Tower directs the traveler to Unity Farm near Kansas City. Even so this little magazine daily directs your steps to the sun-tipped heights in whose glory you behold yourself as a son of God; for such you are.

LIFE'S JOY AND CROWN

Herbert J. Hunt

To greet each day as God's gift to me,
To spend its hours in service, Lord, for Thee,
And then to wait before Thee quietly

In prayer at eventide—

This is my joy!

Then though life's storms and tempests rage without,
My heart perchance assailed by fear and doubt,
His loving arms will compass me about;

No matter what betide,

This is my peace!

To know the Truth of presence and of power,
To realize God's nearness every hour,
To claim Him as my fortress and my tower—

In Him I can confide!

This is my strength!

And then at length, all error thought o'ercome,
The task complete that now I've just begun,
To hear the Master say to me, "Well done!"

And in His joy to abide—

This is my crown!

Mind

ERNEST C. WILSON

THE ISLANDS of the sea appear to be separate from one another and to have an individuality of their own by reason of their outlines, topography, and climate, yet all are joined beneath the surface of the waters to one great land mass.

Human minds are somewhat like the islands. They appear to be separate and distinct from one another, and they have certain characteristics peculiar to themselves, yet beneath the surface of appearances all are one—parts of the one great mind of the universe.

There is only one mind, the mind of God. The mind of man is one with and a part of the one Mind seen from the viewpoint of apparent separateness. "Mortal mind" is mind expressing itself under the limitation of the belief that things as they appear in this world are complete in themselves. Actually they are only a small part of all there is. Their apparent inharmonies no more express the true purpose and significance of being than the scattered and apparently unrelated parts of a jigsaw puzzle express the purpose and significance of the whole picture of which they are a part.

The term "Divine Mind" signifies the true meaning and purpose of being. The "Christ mind" signifies the ideal manifestation of God's mind expressed through man, illustrated to us through the life of Jesus Christ.

Human intellect tends to interpret life in terms of mundane existence, where things are interpreted in terms of their own completeness, as a person, unaware of the whole jigsaw picture, might interpret one piece separately or as seen apart from all the others.

"Consciousness" signifies our degree of perception; it denotes what we are aware of or what seems real to us at any particular stage of our human growth and progress. Thought is the activity of mind. It includes consciousness and is often dominated by consciousness, but it need not be limited by consciousness.

As we direct our thinking toward the contemplation of Mind, toward the fulfillment of God's purpose, and toward evidences of divine purpose in our human life, consciousness is transformed. This is the renewing of the mind about which Paul wrote to the church at Rome. "Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

I Would Be Strong

Presented in four parts. Part 4.

A. MUIR OWENS

I would be strong.

I WOULD be a strong soldier; strong enough to let go of what does not bless or cheer the world. Strong enough not to desert even a wavering faith. Strong enough to keep my own council and to draw near to the holy Presence within me when my need for poise is great.

I would be strong. Patient but firm toward myself. Temperate in my judgment of others. Unafraid and unashamed to admit my mistakes to myself. Determined for the sake of myself and others to make fewer mistakes.

Eager to nourish my mind with the kind of accurate thinking that leaves room for only a minimum of mistakes.

Eager to nourish my heart with the kind of forgiving love that leaves room for only a minimum of impatience with the mistakes of others.

I would be a strong soldier. Prepared. Efficient. Undiscouraged. Temperate. Strong in the Lord. —*Reprinted from Progress magazine, a Unity publication. A sample copy of Progress will be sent gladly upon request.*

At Home Wherever You Are

MARTHA SMOCK

PROBABLY right now there are more lonely people than the world has ever known. The largest number of lonely persons is of course to be found in the ranks of the armed forces. Theirs is one of the most difficult of all types of loneliness to surmount, for in many, many cases it is not the loneliness of a friendless or frustrated person; it is the loneliness of one who has friends, who is beloved by his family, who has had to leave a happy, balanced way of life and leave behind him the persons he cherishes most, the persons who through the years he has come to love and understand and depend upon.

It seems logical to come to the conclusion that there is nothing abnormal about a person who finds himself intensely lonesome for persons and places that he loves, that it is no sign of weakness of character or lack of mental or emotional integration. Rather it reveals a developed capacity for love; it reveals the fineness of character of one who has learned to perceive and appreciate the good in other people; it reveals the emotional stability of one who has learned to find happiness and contentment in the place in life that he has made for himself. However facts must be faced,

and the fact is that a lonely person is not a happy person and he cannot allow himself to remain a lonely person if he wants to continue to progress, if he wants to continue to enjoy life thoroughly.

We often hear about lending an ear or a hand, or lending oneself to something or other. In thinking through this idea of overcoming loneliness it seems that the answer might lie, at least to a degree, in lending ourselves to the job that is ours to do in the present—in lending ourselves to the place in which we find ourselves—in lending ourselves to the people round about us.

What is meant by lending oneself? Think of it in this way. Have you ever made a loan? If you have you gave the money over to the borrower, but you knew that you were not actually lessening your possessions, for the money you loaned out would come back to you at a specified time. The money left the security of your pocket and went on an adventure in another person's life, but it was still yours; that is, the wealth it represented.

You have left the security of your home and have gone on an adventure into another kind of life. You are in a sense a "loan" to this new kind of life. But you still belong to all the things you love and cherish; they still belong to you. You are very much a part of the thought and life and

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SEPTEMBER 1

Friday

GOD IN THE MIDST OF ME IS MIGHTY.

THERE is only one presence and one power in the universe, the presence and power of God. That presence is now with you, upholding you and guiding you. That power is in you, so that nothing is impossible. What seems to be inevitable from the viewpoint of natural law as we know it we can change by realizing a higher law that we have as yet only glimpsed.

The power of Jesus Christ is still the most potent factor in the world, for it is the expression of the one presence and power, God. "Fear thou not, for I am with thee." God is with you now. Your burdens are made light. Whatever your problem—health, supply, protection for a loved one on faraway battle fronts—God in the midst of you is mighty to solve your problem immediately. God's perfect will, the divine plan for your life, is now being carried out in and through you.

You need never struggle alone with your problems. Pray for the help you need, believing, and God will do the rest.

✿ *Cast thy burden upon Jehovah, and he will sustain thee.*—PSALMS 55:22.

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 2

I DRAW UNLIMITED STRENGTH FROM GOD,
THE OMNIPOTENT.

GOD IS MY strength; strength that I can call to my aid whenever and wherever I need it. Whether I am struggling through swampy jungles, or flying a bomber, or welding ships, or doing nurse's-aide duty in a hospital, or milking cows, or feeding chickens and growing food on a farm, this same unlimited strength can come to my aid. To find and receive this strength I need only feel my need, recognize that God is an omnipresent source of strength, call upon Him to help me, then know with unwavering faith that His strength is even now at my side, in my arms, legs, body, and head.

In the morning I ask for strength to enable me to do all that will be required of me during the day; strength to do it all well and to go beyond my quota.

I give thanks that the marvelous, unfaltering, limitless strength of God is now available to me. I am strong in the Lord.

✿ *The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust.*
—PSALMS 18:2 (A. V.).

FATHER, I LIFT UP MINE EYES TO THEE, FOR I
KNOW THAT THOU ART LORD OF ALL.

THE MEN and women who have developed a high spiritual consciousness are those who have recognized and acknowledged Spirit to be the one and only God, the creator and sustainer of creation, the ruler and loving Father of every living thing.

Jesus Christ, whom we call the Son of God, is our greatest example of the individual who beholds God and God alone. Never for a moment did He claim to exercise any power of His own. "The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father doing." "I can of myself do nothing." "I am come in my Father's name." "I am come . . . not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me."

Today as we lift up our eyes to the Father, let us give thanks in humbleness of heart for His many blessings, for the realization that He is our creator, sustainer, guide, and protector. Let us rejoice greatly in His love that is warm, comforting, infinitely tender and gracious.

✿ *Lift up your eyes on high, and see who hath created these.—ISA. 40:26.*

Monday

SEPTEMBER 4

THIS DAY I RENEW MY FAITH IN GOD AS MY
HELP IN EVERY NEED.

“**F**AITH IS A practical habit that, like every other habit, is strengthened and increased by continual exercise. It is nourished by meditation, by prayer.” Today I reaffirm and constantly practice faith in God. I have faith that wherever I am, whatever my job, I am in my divinely appointed place. Every new problem, be it a small daily decision or a complex situation involving the welfare of many, I approach in the faith that God will guide me to the right, the one perfect, solution.

I meet every person with whom I come in contact with faith in his God-given abilities, recognizing him as a perfect child of God.

I use my faith during every hour, confident and calm in my belief that nothing will come my way that the Lord and I together cannot handle. As I use the faith I have, even if it seems to be smaller than the proverbial grain of mustard, I see it grow. I develop the habit of living by faith, and by so doing I am guided, protected, and blessed.

✿ *Now the just shall live by faith.*—HEB. 10:38 (A. V.).

THE LORD NOW HARMONIZES AND HEALS
EVERY CELL IN MY BODY.

IN QUIETNESS and solitude I ask God to heal my body. I completely relax in the silence of His presence. In the innermost depths of my being I know that the love of God is now harmonizing every cell in my body from head to foot. I realize that all manifestations of seeming disease and disorder in my body result from inharmony. Inharmony gone, utterly dissolved from mind, soul, and body cells by the instantaneous power of God, I am utterly and completely healed.

As I feel this harmonizing love flowing through my spirit I understand more clearly the power of God and how it works. As every element in my mind is touched by this power, all negative ideas, old prejudices, stubborn refusals to forgive myself or others, all drop from me swiftly. As divine harmony surges into every cell of my body, negative conditions exist no longer, and a great wave of joy and humility engulfs me. I thank God with my whole being: with my spirit, most direct link to God, with my mind, and with my body.

✻ O LORD my God . . . thou hast healed me.—PSALMS 30:2 (A. V.).

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 6

I RADIATE BLESSINGS TO PEOPLE TODAY AS
I THINK OF THEM.

A BLESSING is a wish for happiness, a constructive idea directed toward any person or any condition. It is so easy to see the imperfect side of people and conditions that the habit of blessing should be cultivated more and more each day.

In your prayer periods today whisper over and over: "I bless all people today with the love of God, and I see all people loving, happy, and kind toward one another." Such a blessing must pass through your own mind, body, and affairs before it reaches others; thus you uplift and bless yourself always when you try to help others.

Such a blessing need not be confined to prayer periods. It can be spoken, hummed, or sung quietly while you work. Words of blessing can be worked in with the melody of popular songs, old songs, or hymns. Music is a compound idea in the mind of God and flows through man. To the old hymn "Rock of Ages" these words can be used repeatedly: "Unified in God's great love, you express love all the time" or "Happiness is always yours."

✿ *Be thou a blessing.*—GEN. 12:2.

TODAY I WILL LIVE MASTERFULLY, IN CONSCIOUS ACCEPTANCE OF MY HIGHEST GOOD.

THERE is that within me which is invincible, unshaken though the world rock, secure though danger threaten. It is the Christ self, the spiritual I AM born of the Father.

Today I will live masterfully, in conscious acceptance of my highest good. I will take no account of evil, either in my own life or in the lives and affairs of others. I will know of each man today that he is a beloved child of the Father, free, loving, blessed with unlimited good. Whatever his race, whatever his creed or condition, I will know this of him.

I will refuse to believe in the appearance of illness, weakness, imperfection. I will place my trust in the eternal, never-changing, all-powerful life of the Father that is mighty "to save to the uttermost." I will trust in the power of divine love to restore order and harmony and happiness.

I shall not be shaken. For myself and my fellow men I claim only that which is highest and best, that the kingdom of heaven may be established.

♣ *Is it not written . . . I said, Ye are gods?*—JOHN 10:34.

Friday

SEPTEMBER 8

GOD'S WILL FOR ME IS AMPLE SUPPLY.

TODAY I bless everything that is in my pocket-book: ration cards, stamps, and tokens, bills, checkbook. I bless them all. I know that God's will for me is ample supply to fill every need and that I have no reason to worry about lack in any form. I bless the bills I owe, knowing that with God's help they will be met easily, surely, on time. I bless the change in my purse, knowing that it will be adequate for every need today. I bless ration cards, stamps, and tokens, knowing that they represent not lack but ample supply for everyone. I bless my checkbook, recognizing it as another symbol of abundance and knowing that it will be adequate for every need.

Throughout the day as I have occasion to spend money or to use ration stamps I bless what I use. And as I bless these symbols of supply I send the blessing on to whoever is to receive them. I bless the commodities I receive, and give thanks for an ample supply.

I do not fear scarcity. God's will for me is abundance, and whatever I need will come to me.

♣ *Jehovah is my shepherd; I shall not want.*—PSALMS 23:1.

THE LIGHT OF GOD SHINES ON MY WAY BY
DAY AND BY NIGHT.

TODAY as never before I look to the light of God to illumine my path. Confronted by seeming confusion, by a multitude of problems large and small, I rely on God to clarify all situations. I ask for His guidance, then become silent and wait for the answer to come, wait until I am sure of what I am to do. There is no problem too small, I know, for this divine light to show it in its true relation to me and my life.

As on a cold day I am warmed when I stand for a minute in a sheltered corner bathed in bright sunlight, so my soul and mind are now warmed, soothed, and comforted by the constant glow of God's light. My own small candle of Truth partakes of this divine light.

Not only in times of mental groping do I turn to the light of God but also when I stand in physical darkness. Neither dimout nor blackout holds fears for me when my path is illumined by God's light, a light that can never be blacked out but that shines eternally.

♣ *Thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.*—PSALMS 18:28 (A. V.).

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 10

I FIND GOD EVERYWHERE, AND HIS HELPFUL PRESENCE BLESSES ME CONTINUALLY.

MANY of us expect to find God only in a house of worship, in a moment of prayer, or in an awesome experience. Too often we look for Him only in time of emergency or great need, forgetting that He is just as much present in one place and at one time as another.

In reality we cannot go to any place where God is not. We cannot come into any experience where His help is not possible to us. His loving presence transcends all time and all space, and He is instantly, constantly, and everywhere available to us. He is the God of all places and all time, ready and willing to uphold, guide, and bless His people, whatever their need may be.

In the glad confidence that God is everywhere equally present, we can turn to Him as our friend and helper, and receive the guidance and strength and blessing of His Spirit. Wherever we are we are still with God, and His benediction is upon us.

*Whither shall I go from thy Spirit?
Or whither shall I flee from thy presence?*

—PSALMS 139:7.

Monday

FATHER-GOD, I AM RECEPTIVE TO THE INSPIRATION OF THY SPIRIT.

IF ALL THE accumulated knowledge of the ages were ours, we should by worldly standards be said to be very wise indeed. But all this knowledge of itself would not make us happy or successful. It would certainly be of value to us in many ways, but lasting happiness is not gained merely by following rules laid down by wise men.

True happiness is of the Spirit. It is a blessing from the Father, bestowed upon the man or woman who steadfastly and resolutely seeks to do the will of God and who follows the path that is revealed by Him, the way of joy, love, and peace.

The way to happiness is not, as is often thought, a way of suffering, of denial, of heavy burdens. These negative things come upon us when we are not fully receptive to the inspiration of Spirit, whose still small voice is continually saying to us, "This is the way, walk ye in it." The way of joy and peace is his who is receptive to divine inspiration.

• *I show thee new things from this time, even hidden things, which thou hast not known.—ISA. 48:6 (margin).*

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 12

THE EYES OF SPIRIT BACK OF MY PHYSICAL EYES ARE PERFECT EYES. LOOKING THROUGH THEM, I FIND THAT MY PHYSICAL EYES ARE CLEAR AND STRONG.

THROUGH spiritual eyes we behold a spiritual world, a world of perfection and beauty. Such eyes are the windows of the spiritual consciousness. If we were always to look with these eyes we should behold perfect creations: perfect men, a perfect universe. By looking through physical eyes blurred by error thinking, by ignorance of Truth, we seem to see men imperfect and distorted.

The physical eyes, if recognized as closely related to spiritual vision, become channels through which spiritual vision expresses itself. If we would improve our physical vision we must increase our consciousness of seeing spiritually, beholding persons and things in their innate perfection. When we cease to have in consciousness the belief that men are imperfect we shall cease to see imperfection. Our eyes become clear and strong when we behold the image of perfection. Looking through spiritual eyes, we see truly, clearly, easily.

• *Immediately their eyes received sight.*—MATT. 20:34.

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SEPTEMBER 13

Wednesday

DIVINE ORDER IS ESTABLISHED IN MY LIFE.

IT IS GOOD to know that there is a guiding hand, a superintelligence by which my life and affairs are divinely regulated. I cease striving to solve life's riddles by means of my mental powers alone and turn to the source of infinite wisdom within me. My human will surrenders to divine will, knowing that happiness is achieved not by will power but by God power.

In my daily meditations I lift my thoughts to the consciousness of Spirit-mind, and I am identified with universal order and harmony. The Christ Spirit within me wisely knows the right way, the proper time and place, so that I am always "about my Father's business." I meet critical situations with poise and confidence, because I know that divine love accomplishes that which is for my highest good, and only good can come to me. The spirit of divine order permeates the very atmosphere about me, turning discord into harmony, confusion into peace, inaccuracy into precision and efficiency. I am poised in the consciousness of the Father's presence, and my affairs are stabilized.

✿ *Every purpose is established by counsel.*—PROV. 20:18.



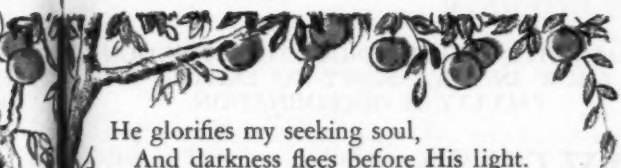
My Good Shepherd

PRISCILLA MAY MOORE

The Lord is my good shepherd;
I shall not want for anything.
He is my daily sustenance;
To Him my every need I bring.

He makes me dwell in tranquil peace
When noise and strife beset my way.
He bids my troubled thoughts to cease;
Inspires and shows me how to pray.






He glorifies my seeking soul,
And darkness flees before His light.
In Him I am made strong and whole.
He is the power of my might.

His rod and staff are mine to use
When human strength is weak and frail.
To Him I turn and never lose
His presence when dark hours assail.

My cup of gladness overflows.
He fills with blessings every day,
And doubt and fear—my strongest foes—
Out of my life He casts for aye.

Goodness and mercy follow me
Because I trust my Lord and guide.
I dwell with Him eternally
And in His house always abide.



Thursday

SEPTEMBER 14

ALMIGHTY FATHER, UNDER THY DIRECTION
I GROW IN THE ABILITY TO EXERCISE MY
FACULTY OF DISCRIMINATION.

WHEN GOD, our Father, endowed us with all the attributes of His own being, He made it possible for us to use those attributes in any way that we choose, and according as we use them rightly, to that degree do we live up to our divine capabilities.

In our daily life we find many opportunities to use these attributes, and one that we need to use very often indeed is that of good judgment or discrimination. Hardly a moment goes by that we are not called upon to exercise discrimination in our handling of our personal affairs, in our contacts with other persons, in respect to the food we eat, in respect to the thousand and one questions we are called upon to decide each day.

We can enlarge and improve our faculty of discrimination by avoiding hasty judgments or decisions; by pausing for an instant and saying silently, "Father, what is the wise, just, and right thing for me now?" We shall find that His answer is always right.

♣ *Discretion shall watch over thee.*—PROV. 2:11.

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♣ *Whoso putteth his trust in Jehovah shall be safe.*
—PROV. 29:25.

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 16

I KEEP MY THOUGHT STRONG AND POSITIVE,
RADIATING GOOD TO ALL AROUND ME.

ONE OF US lives to himself. The thoughts we hold, the beliefs we express, the very fashions we follow, tend to influence those around us. As Truth students we have a serious responsibility to express only that which is good, true, and helpful.

Too often out of politeness we assent to the woes and fears of another. We commiserate with him, and just to encourage him a little we perhaps cite some of our own.

Only that which is true is worthy of our assent. We owe it to ourselves and others to add to life only that which will bless and prosper.

Each day renew your determination to express only those thoughts which are in keeping with your highest ideals. Keep your thoughts, conversation, and actions positive, constructive, representative of the Christ standard within you. In this way you will be doing much to clear the race mind of fear and illusion, and your faith and courage will stand out like beacons in a dark place.

• *We are ambassadors therefore on behalf of Christ.*
—II COR. 5:20.

JESUS CHRIST IS THE PILOT OF MY SOUL.

THE WORDS of an old hymn read:
 "Jesus, Saviour, pilot me
 Over life's tempestuous sea."

When we look to Jesus Christ as our soul's pilot, life's tempests hold no fear for us, and storms of adverse circumstance can wield no power. As a steersman controls the ship with a rudder and thus directs its course so the Great Steersman of mankind speaks to us through prayer and meditation and guides us safely through rough seas to peaceful waters. When we find ourselves in a befogged state of consciousness, we have but to contact our spiritual steersman. His presence directs us through mortal fogs to the clear radiance of Truth, and we behold His good.

We go forward with courage and confidence, knowing that our helmsman is the Christ and that His love, power, and intelligence are active in us. To the turbulent waves of personal problems Spirit within speaks with authority, "Peace, be still." With His aid we steer a steady course to the peaceful shores of the more abundant life.

* *Ships . . . are yet turned about by a very small rudder, whither . . . the steersman willeth.*—JAMES 3:4.

Monday

SEPTEMBER 18

I OPEN MY IMAGINATION TO GOD AND GIVE
EAR TO THE NEW IDEAS HE SENDS ME
THROUGH THIS CHANNEL.

I BLESS MY imagination, the creative faculty of my mind, and recognize it as a channel through which God can and does send me fresh ideas, giving me a glimpse of what I can accomplish if I will but listen.

I take these ideas, bless them, meditate upon them. Slowly at first each idea takes definite shape. Perhaps it has to do with the more effective and efficient doing of some small job. Another is an idea for utilizing a bit of odd time to perform a service that no one has thought of before. Or it may be a conception of a different kind of job, one that I have never attempted before but that may open the way to personal achievement and public benefit that would never have materialized had I remained in my old rut. I develop courage to try.

As I gain practice in using my imagination, blessing it as a link with God, I find that ideas come to me clearer and surer. Today I bless each new idea and give thanks for it.

✿ *I will sing a new song unto thee, O God.*—PSALMS 144:9.

FREED FROM ANGER BY GOD'S LOVE, I LIVE
A PEACEFUL LIFE.

“**A** SOFT answer turneth away wrath.” The time to make the soft answer is when emotions of anger or resentment are striving to express themselves through you. Many people do not intend to become angry, and often wonder why they do lose their temper. The reason usually is that in the subconscious was a hidden anger impulse that was aroused by the word or action of someone else.

In order to cleanse the subconscious of such an impulse it is necessary to practice the presence of God until the entire soul nature is so permeated by divine love that only good can come forth. It is not difficult to become peaceful, harmonious, and loving if one is willing to surrender to the Christ within by turning one's thoughts Godward and literally taking on the attributes of Spirit. To become quiet several times daily and claim God's love as pouring through one's being will result in all anger impulses being dissolved in the soul. The wonderful results of such a practice will free one forever from anger.

✿ *Put them all away: anger, wrath, malice.*—COL. 3:8.

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 20

I NOW CLAIM THE GUIDANCE OF THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH PROMISED BY JESUS, AND DIVINE WISDOM IS REVEALED TO ME.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

JESUS CHRIST did not promise anything that He did not fulfill. He promised to send us the Spirit of truth, who would guide us into all Truth, and we can depend absolutely upon the validity of His promise. The Spirit of truth is even now at hand to guide us and ready to direct us in the way that we should go.

One of the most enlightening lessons we learn in the study of Truth is that all of God's gifts are ours, but only to the extent that we claim them and put them to use. According to the measure of our faith it is given unto us. If we do not claim the guidance of Spirit we continue to wander aimlessly, trying to succeed by the old method of trial and error, mostly error.

Right now, this moment, is our opportunity to discard the old method and claim God's guidance through the Spirit of truth. As we do claim it and rely upon it divine wisdom makes all things clear and understandable to us.

● *The Spirit of truth . . . shall guide you.*—JOHN 16:13.

Thursday

THE SPIRIT THAT MULTIPLIED THE LOAVES AND FISHES FOR JESUS IS HERE INCREASING MY SUBSTANCE, AND MY PROSPERITY APPEARS.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

THE PRINCIPLE of supply that Jesus used when He multiplied the loaves and fishes and fed five thousand people is not a peculiar one that only He could use. It is one of God's eternal principles that He understood so fully and tried so earnestly to make us understand.

Our supply, irrespective of the form or manner in which it comes to us, derives from God, the infinite source of all substance. God is our provider, our paymaster, though He may work through human agencies. Hence if we look to human beings for our supply we are missing the real truth that underlies it, namely that it actually comes from God. If you need greater supply, an increase in substance, the Spirit that worked through Jesus will provide it for you to the extent that you cease looking to man for it and continue to look to God for it.

✱ *He will give the rain . . . and bread of the increase of the ground, and it shall be fat and plenteous.—ISA. 30:23.*

Friday

SEPTEMBER 22

THE SAME SPIRIT THAT RAISED UP JESUS IS HERE RAISING ME, AND I AM RESTORED TO HARMONY AND HEALTH.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

MANY PERSONS look upon the resurrection of Jesus Christ as a wonder of wonders that was accomplished by the miraculous intervention of divinity. Nevertheless today students of the law of mind action are convinced that the resurrection of Jesus was wholly in accord with certain spiritual laws, and that the same Spirit that raised up Jesus will raise us up when we have the same understanding of these laws that He had.

The Spirit that raised up Jesus when His mortal body had been killed by crucifixion is a healing Spirit. Indeed it is the very Spirit of health, the Spirit of eternal life, the Spirit of harmony and renewal. It is here now, this moment. It is at work in us, dissolving all conditions that interfere with our expression of the perfect life and health that is our divine birthright, and restoring us to the glory that is ours as children of God.

• *Now will I arise . . . now will I lift up myself; now will I be exalted.*—ISA. 33:10.

Saturday

ALMIGHTY FATHER, THY HOLY SPIRIT COM-
FORTS AND SUSTAINS ME.

WHEN THE hour seems dark and our burden is heavy, it is easy to give way to our human feelings and let grief or sorrow overwhelm us. But not for one instant should we ever let such a state of affairs occur. God has given us His Holy Spirit to comfort and sustain us, and fortified by its presence, we are invulnerable to the "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune."

The man who rests in God is surrounded by a mighty wall of peace and calmness, against which waves of fear, despair, and sorrow beat in vain. Nothing can disturb his spirit, for he knows that he is safe within an impregnable fortress.

So we can rest, and neither the winds of grief nor the waves of sorrow can touch us. If we momentarily lose our sense of assurance, we can quickly regain it by knowing that in the loving heart of God there is no place for aught but joy and peace.

The Comforter is here. He is with us. He comforts and sustains us evermore.

✻ *Jehovah hath comforted his people.*—ISA. 52:9.

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 24

WILLINGLY I SEEK GOD AND HAPPILY I FIND HIM.

WILLINGNESS to search for God, willingness to give up the things that keep him from contacting God, and willingness to wait upon God play a great part in the individual's reaching out for Him.

This willingness on the part of man and the willingness of God make a perfect point of contact. The contact being made, God's will flows through to man and God's perfect will is performed in man.

Always know that when you are willing to turn to God you will find God willing. Before you turn He has anticipated your move and started blessings on the way.

Willingness changes the spirit of resistance, opposition, and stubbornness. Many people need to develop more willingness. They need to be willing to give up personal desires and to let the will of God be done in them. The will of God always brings rich blessings.

• *Every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.*
—LUKE 11:10 (A. V.).

SEPTEMBER 25

Monday

I EXPRESS MY LOVE FOR GOD AND MY
FELLOW MEN IN JOYOUS SERVICE.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to separate love from service or service from love. Love for God makes us want to serve Him. Likewise love for people makes us want to serve them. Wherever we give ourselves in service, there will our love be found also.

Jesus Christ set before us a high ideal of service. When His disciples were bickering as to who should be reckoned the greatest among them, Jesus said, "I am among you as he that serveth." Again He said, "He that is greatest among you shall be your servant." Upon another occasion He said, "Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister . . . Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister."

The value of all service lies in the spirit with which we serve, and not in the importance or magnitude of the service. Even the lowliest task or deed is made holy, joyous, and truly helpful when it is filled with love. Love makes us strong, competent, and eager to serve. True service is the expression of love in activity.

♣ *Through love be servants one to another.*—GAL. 5:13.

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 26

I AM DIVINELY GUIDED IN MAKING DECISIONS, AND I DO NOT MAKE MISTAKES.

WHEN I have a decision to make, there is only one way to decide. That is God's way. I instantly turn to the indwelling Spirit of wisdom and affirm, "Thy will be done." Through God's wisdom I will be guided to do just the right thing at the right time.

Because I acknowledge God in all my ways I do not make mistakes. He has promised to direct my paths. He never fails, no matter how small or how great the need. He always hears my call. Lovingly He will lead me into paths of righteousness, peace, happiness, and success.

I am not disturbed or alarmed if I do not immediately discern what course I am to follow. I am patient, for I know that the time to decide has not yet arrived. When it does, the way will be open, the path clear, and my vision perfect. The outcome will be the highest good for myself and for everyone concerned. I rely upon God to guide me aright in every decision.

*As for God, his way is perfect:
The word of Jehovah is tried.*

—II SAM. 22:31.

RADIANT JOY IS TODAY MANIFESTED IN AND THROUGH ME.

TODAY I will rejoice in all things: in health, in success, in prosperity, in love. I will build and maintain a consciousness so full of joy that no negative thought can enter my mind. I will inwardly rejoice all the day long.

Joy is a great healer and harmonizer. In the presence of great joy every function of my body becomes synchronized with the perfect rhythm of health, with the divine source of health itself. Joy warms me as does bright sunshine, and I glow with well-being. Joy also harmonizes my affairs, brings about order, justice, peace, and success.

When alone I repeat the word "joy" over and over just to experience the glow of its meaning. I am constantly discovering new reasons for joy until I lose track of their number.

Joy is contagious, and I pass on my joy to others. Joy spreads as widely and rapidly as the circles caused in a pond by dropping in a pebble. Joy expressed in everything I do makes me more efficient, more friendly, more like Jesus Christ.

Today I rejoice in manifold blessings.

✿ *Make me to hear joy and gladness.*—PSALMS 51:8.

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 28

GOD'S GRACE IS POURED OUT UPON ME. I AM
RENEWED, VITALIZED, UPLIFTED.

ONE OF THE heaviest burdens that we human beings put upon ourselves is that of self-condemnation, blaming ourselves for our real or fancied wrongdoings, or for our failures. So long as we permit ourselves to carry this burden, we can make little spiritual progress.

It is right for us to recognize our shortcomings, and to rectify as far as is humanly possible any offenses that we have committed against our fellow man. But once we have done all we can do in this respect, we need to cease our human efforts, forgive ourselves, and in humbleness of heart let God's law of grace engulf our feeling of guilt or blame.

The law of grace may be stated thus: "As ye forgive, ye are forgiven." Only when we forgive ourselves do we open the way for God's grace to be poured out upon us. Then a sense of peace and well-being suffuses us. We know that all is well. We are renewed, vitalized, uplifted, filled with life abundant, exalted.

✿ *My servant . . . shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high.*—ISA. 52:13.

TODAY I PLACE NO LIMIT ON THE BLESSINGS
I DESIRE.

WE WOULD laugh at a man who tried to put a bushel of potatoes into a ten pound bag. We would say, "What he is trying to do is impossible. There is not room in that bag for more than ten pounds." Yet how often we try to do just that in a spiritual sense. Praying for abundance, we still hold out our little cup of doubt and limitation. Our faith is equal only to the ten-pound bag, and try as we will we can never succeed in getting more than ten pounds into it.

"Give us this day our daily bread," prayed the Master, using the word bread as a synonym for substance, limitless and sufficient for all demands. To place a limit, even a very generous limit, on the good we seek shows that we have not yet come into a full realization of the riches of the Father.

Today I place no restriction on the blessings that come to me. With an open mind and grateful, expectant heart I accept the fullness of divine substance in my life and affairs.

✻ *"The living God . . . giveth us richly all things to enjoy.—I TIM. 6:17. (A. V.).*

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 30

PRAISE GOD THAT GOOD IS EVERYWHERE.

THE doxology sung at Unity services begins, "Praise God that good is everywhere." In that truth lies the solution to your every problem. Back of each negative appearance or adverse circumstance is the essence of the good and true. Praise God for helping you to find the good and to use it intelligently. Your praise is mighty to stir into activity the dormant substance of all-pervading good.

"Praise to the love we all may share." Love purifies your heart and clears your vision to see God in all men and all situations. As you share your love you multiply its wonder-working power.

"The life that thrills in you and me." At the center of your being is a fountain of life, a source of strength, vitality, and glorious health. Praise God that you are increasingly aware of His life incarnate in you.

"Praise to the Truth that sets us free." In Truth you are free of limitation, wise, strong, glorious, triumphant! Praise be to God!

*It is a good thing to give thanks unto Jehovah,
And to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High.*

—PSALMS 92:1.

At Home Wherever You Are

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dreams of those at home and they are very much a part of your thought and life and dreams.

But to get back to the idea of overcoming loneliness by continuing to lend yourself: you can lend yourself to any set of circumstances, to any situation, and find that you will get real returns, with interest.

You will discover that if you really work with this idea of lending yourself to persons, places, things in hand, you will soon find minds and personalities and characters among your associates quite like the ones back home. You will begin to feel at home, because in lending yourself to a situation you make yourself at home in it, and through the law that like attracts like you draw to yourself the kind of experiences and friendships that harmonize and blend with your consciousness, your character, your interests.

Lonely? Lend some of yourself and you will discover ways to deepen your appreciation of life and people, ways to get the larger view of life and to launch out on real soul growth that carries with it spiritual understanding and spiritual joy that makes all experiences, all life, full of purpose and meaning.

PREPARE FOR PROSPERITY

Night after night in a frontier cabin the firelight flickered on the ill-clad figure of a lanky boy who lay stretched on the floor reading the only books available to him. What spurred Abraham Lincoln to prepare himself for something better that he could not see? His faith that it was possible to succeed in spite of every limitation.

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